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The Honorable Reed Hundt  
Chairman  
FCC  
1919 M Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20554

97-208

October 4, 1997

Dear Chairman Hundt,

I write to support BellSouth's application to the FCC to provide long distance service to businesses and residential customers in South Carolina.

On July 25, 1997 BellSouth's application was unanimously approved by the South Carolina PSC. The PSC certified that BellSouth has met the fourteen competitive checklist points included in the Federal Act. They affirmed that BellSouth's entry into the long distance business is in the public interest.

I support the South Carolina Commission's decision. Provision of long distance service by BellSouth in SC will increase competition resulting in better prices, better service, and more telecommunications choices for businesses and residential customers.

Although the Telecommunications Act of 1996 authorizes the FCC to take up to ninety days to approve long distance applications from the regional Bell companies, in light of the findings of the South Carolina PSC, I urge you to approve Bell South's application at the earliest possible date.

Sincerely,

*Prudence Wilson Crone*

Prudence Wilson Crone, Esquire

cc: Donald Russell  
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October 2, 1997

The Honorable Reed Hundt  
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Federal Communications Commission  
1919 M Street, NW  
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97-208

RE: BELLSOUTH PROVISION OF LONG DISTANCE SERVICE IN THE STATE OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA

Dear Chairman Hundt:

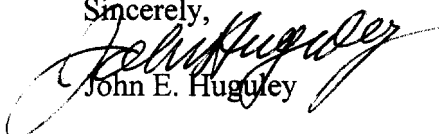
As a longtime customer, I am writing to you in support of BellSouth's application to the Federal Communications Commission to provide long distance service to business and residential customers in my state, South Carolina.

BellSouth's application has been thoroughly reviewed by South Carolina's Public Service Commission, an independent agency charged with balancing the needs of BellSouth and other regulated utilities with the interests of consumers and businesses. After rigorous review, the Commission concluded by a unanimous vote the BellSouth's entry into the long distance market is in the public interest.

Provision of long distance service by BellSouth in South Carolina will increase competition resulting in better prices, better service, more telecommunications choices for businesses and residential customers, and new information age jobs for workers throughout the state.

The Telecommunications Act of 1996 authorizes the FCC to take up to ninety days to approve long distance applications from the regional Bell companies. In light of the findings of the South Carolina Public Service Commission, I urge you to approve BellSouth's application in no more than 30 days. Taking longer will serve no useful purpose and will unnecessarily deny the citizens of South Carolina the very real benefits of new competition in the long distance market.

Sincerely,

  
John E. Huguley

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The Honorable Reed Hundt, Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
1919 M Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20554

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Dear Chairman Hundt:

I am writing in support of BellSouth's application to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to provide long distance service to businesses and residential customers in the state of South Carolina.

On July 25, 1997, BellSouth's application was unanimously approved by the South Carolina Public Service Commission (PSC). The PSC certified that BellSouth has met the 14 point competitive checklist included in the Federal Act and they affirmed that BellSouth's entry into the long distance business is in the public interest.

Please accept this letter as my support of the South Carolina Commission's decision. I urge you to approve BellSouth application as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

  
Fletcher C. Derrick, Jr., M.D.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
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The Hon. Reed Hundt, Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
1919 M Street, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Hundt:

97-208

I understand that in July, BellSouth's application to be a long distance provider in our state was unanimously approved (7-0) by the South Carolina Public Service Commission (PSC). The PSC certified that BellSouth has met the 14-point checklist of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and, further, they affirmed that BellSouth's entry into the long distance business is in the public interest. The increased competition that would result from BellSouth's entry into this market would, I do believe, result in better prices, better service, more choices for residential and business customers, and new "information age" jobs for workers throughout the state.

The Telecommunications Act authorizes the FCC to take up to ninety days to approve long distance applications from the regional Bell companies. In light of the findings of the South Carolina Public Service Commission, I am writing to urge you to approve BellSouth's application as quickly as possible, hopefully in no more than thirty days. The citizens of South Carolina are anxious to experience the very real benefits of new competition in the long distance market as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

Joe Whitmore  
Owner/President  
Woodlands Resort & Inn

cc: Donald Russell  
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October 3, 1997

The Honorable Reed Hundt  
Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
1919 M Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Hundt:

I am writing in support of BellSouth's application to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to provide long distance service to businesses and residential customers in the state of South Carolina.

On July 2, 1997, BellSouth's application was unanimously approved by the South Carolina Public Service Commission (PSC). The PSC certified that BellSouth has met the 14 point competitive checklist included in the Federal Act and they affirmed that BellSouth's entry into the long distance business is in the public interest.

I support the South Carolina Commission's decision. Provision of long distance service by BellSouth in South Carolina will increase competition resulting in better prices, better service, more telecommunications choices for businesses and residential customers, and new information age jobs for workers throughout the state.

Even though the Telecommunications Act of 1996 authorizes the FCC to take up to ninety days to approve long distance applications from the regional Bell companies, in light of the findings of the South Carolina Public Service Commission, I urge you to approve BellSouth's application at the earliest possible date.

Sincerely,

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Senior Vice President

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